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TAGS: PINS LE

SUBJ: TRAVEL TO BEIRUT

REF: BEIRUT 5133

1. AS OF 12 NOON LOCAL MAY 8 BEIRUT AIRPORT CLOSED AND
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NEW CEASEFIRE WENT INTO EFFECT 11:00 AM (LOCAL) AND SO
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CONTRARY.

2. WE ARE REPLYING ALL QUERIES FROM AMERICANS THAT
THEY SHOULD REMAIN INDOORS AND OBSERVE CURFEW WHICH GOL
ADVISES IS INDEFINITE IN DURATION. IN ANSWER QUESTION
RE EVACUATION, WE ARE STATING THAT WE ARE WATCHING SITUATION
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AT PRESENT.

3. FOR DEPT. SOME REPORTS HAVE REACHED US FROM RELATIVES
IN US THAT STATE DEPT HAS RECOMMENDED AMERICANS LEAVE
LEBANON. PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATE WHAT DEPT IS SAYING.

4. WE ARE PRESENTLY DENYING REPORTS CIRCULATING BEIRUT THAT WE
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5. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT BELIEVE DEPT AS YET SHOULD BAN
TRAVEL HERE, WE DO RECOMMEND SUCH TRAVEL BE DISCOURAGED
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